

Tuesday - 1 August 1950

1. Wlp appeared before the House Armed Services Committee in connection with the amendment to section 9 of the CIA Act of 1949. The initial presentation was handled by Mr. Blandford of the Committee staff but questions from Chairman Vinson and Rep. Durham were addressed to me. The bill was unanimously reported out to be handled by Mr. Durham on the floor.
2. Spoke with Mr. Durham regarding details of the bill and he has requested a short statement for his assistance.
3. Discussed with Cong. Mahon, Chairman of the Military Appropriations Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee, the problem of additional funds for CIA and I suggested the whole matter be kept on a stand-by basis upon word from the Bureau of the Budget. I have also communicated the same information to Geo. Harvey, Chief Clerk of the Committee. The Bureau of the Budget was somewhat concerned about a CIA "end run" in an attempt to secure funds but I have assured Mr. Ramsay that the subject

was brought up by Mr. Harvey in connection with my request for restoration of a current budget cut.

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4. Discussed with Cong. Hoffman of Mich. his request that [redacted] be contacted in the District jail for information in their possession. These people have been contacted by CIA and ONI and the information passed on to appropriate sources.

5. I also requested Cong. Hoffman to return to us the transcript of the hearings involving CIA which were made in 1947 in connection with the National Security Act. He has promised to do so if they have not been destroyed.

(Wm. Bates
MASS.)
6. Mr. Leon of I&S informed me that he had a call from the office of Cong. Bates and that the Cong. himself talked with him. Cong. was concerned about reports that naval equipment in moth balls had been sabotaged. He was informed that this was a problem for ONI and FBI. I called Mr. Pelletier subsequently and told him to please keep these requests in our liaison channels.
